

The Revelation of Jesus Christ

Revelation 1:1-2

Rev 1:1 (NKJV) The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show His servants--things which must shortly take place. And He sent and signified it by His angel to His servant John, 2 who bore witness to the word of God, and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, to all things that he saw.

Well if you have kept on track this summer, you will finish up your reading of the entire Bible. And even if you did not get all the way through it, you did very well, most of you I think. But don't stop now. You don't have to read 12 pages a day but at least read a few chapters or until you come to a good stopping place.

But since we have come to the end, I have decided to give you a snapshot of Revelation in one sermon.

There are many ways to understand the book of Revelation. And very few people see the book exactly alike. I have more commentaries on the book of Revelation than on any other book in the Bible. And none of them agree completely. They do agree on the important parts. So this morning I want to give you a crash course on the book of Revelation.

- I. The book is divided into two main sections.
 - A. That which is and that which will be hereafter.
 - 1. That which is; chapter 1-3
 - 2. That which will be hereafter; chapters 4-22
- II. Section 1
 - A. An introduction Rev. 1
 - B. Letters to the seven churches.
 - 1. Ephesus Rev. 2:1-7
 - 2. Smyrna Rev. 2:8-11
 - 3. Pergamos Rev 2:12-17
 - 4. Thyatira Rev 2:18-29
 - 5. Sardis Rev. 3:1-6
 - 6. Philadelphia Rev. 3:7-13
 - 7. Laodicea Rev. 3:14-22
- III. Section 2
 - A. The heavenly vision Rev. 4
 - B. The seven sealed book Rev. 5
 - C. The opening of the sealed book Rev. 6
 - D. The sealing of the 144,000 Rev. 7:1-12
 - E. The multitude arrayed in white robes Rev. 7:13-17
 - F. The seven trumpets Rev. 8-9
 - G. The seven thunders Rev. 10:1-7
 - H. The little book Rev. 10:8-11
 - I. The two witnesses Rev. 11
 - J. The woman, the child and the great dragon. Rev. 12
 - K. The beast & the false prophet Rev. 13

- L. The Lamb and the 144,000 Rev. 14:1-5
- M. Proclamations of judgment Rev. 14:6-20
- N. The vials of God's wrath poured out Rev. 15-16
- O. Mystery Babylon, revealed, and judged. Rev. 17-18
- P. The marriage of the Lamb Rev. 19
- Q. The binding of the dragon during the millennium, the rebellion and the final destruction of Satan Rev 20:1-10
- R. The great white throne judgment Rev. 20:11-15
- S. The New Heaven and New Earth with the New Jerusalem Rev. 21:1-22:5
- T. Warnings Rev. 22:6-15
- U. The great invitation Rev. 22:16-21

Sixth Seal

12 I looked when He opened the sixth seal, and behold, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became like blood. 13 And the stars of heaven fell to the earth, as a fig tree drops its late figs when it is shaken by a mighty wind. 14 Then the sky receded as a scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island was moved out of its place.

Seventh Trumpet

15 Then the seventh angel sounded: And there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!" 16 And the twenty-four elders who sat before God on their thrones fell on their faces and worshiped God, 17 saying: "We give You thanks, O Lord God Almighty, The One who is and who was and who is to come, Because You have taken Your great power and reigned. 18 The nations were angry, and Your wrath has come, And the time of the dead, that they should be judged, And that You should reward Your servants the prophets and the saints, And those who fear Your name, small and great, And should destroy those who destroy the earth."

Seventh Vial

17 ¶ Then the seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, "It is done!" 18 And there were noises and thunderings and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such a mighty and great earthquake as had not occurred since men were on the earth.

Matt 24

29 "Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. 30 "Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.